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NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION

FILED UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

*Filing Date Granted*

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
*A properly signed oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63, identifying the application by the above Application Number and Filing Date, is required.*
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(l) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.
- The balance due by applicant is \$ 130.

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Applicant : Douglas D. Sjostrom  
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Filed : December 17, 2001  
Title : CUTTING INSTRUMENT

Art Unit : 3763  
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**BOX MISSING PARTS**

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application under 37 U.S.C. §1.53(b) mailed January 23, 2002 (copy enclosed), applicant as a large entity submits herewith the following:

- ☒ Payment of the surcharge of \$130 for late filing of the basic filing fee and/or declaration;
- ☒ A check in the total amount of \$130 is attached;
- ☒ A Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney in compliance with 37 CFR §1.63;
- ☒ Replacement drawings that contain the same material as the drawings on deposit.

It is understood that this perfects the application and no additional papers or filing fees are required. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050.

Respectfully submitted,

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